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## JUN 0 5 Mail Stop RCE **Application Number** 10/792,180 REQUEST March 3, 2004 Filing Date **FOR** Inventor(s) **RUSSELL CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)** Conf. No. 4931 Group Art Unit 2884 **TRANSMITTAL** Examiner Taningco, M. Express Mail Label No.: EV 196252845 US Attorney Docket No. 02-68

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37. C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

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		i. 🛛	Consider the Amendment(s)/Response under 37 C.F.R. § 1		ly filed on May 5, 2006	
		ii. 🗖	(Any unentered Amendment(s) referred to above will be ent Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief p		Lon	
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		ii. 🔲	Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s);			
			Information Disclosure Statement (IDS); and/or			
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2.	Mis	Miscellaneous				
	a.	☐ Su	spension of action on the above-identified application is requ	bove-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period		
of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(I) require b.   Other:					er 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(I) required)	
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3.	A Petition to Extend the life of the present application to at least to the date hereof:					
	a. $\square$ is not necessary.					
	b. 🔲 was previously filed on					
1	c.  is being concurrently filed in this application. (The fee for this petition is itemized below)					
4.	4. Fees (Fee Transmittal Form is attached - in duplicate)					
	a. 🛛 The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments to					
	Deposit Account No. 50-0558.					
	<ul> <li>i.          ☐ RCE fee of \$790.00 required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)</li> <li>ii.          ☐ Extension of time fee of \$120.00 required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17</li> </ul>					
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